s17 Geometric Series Exam (EXAM v369)

Question 1

Consider the partial geometric series represented below with first term a=852, common ratio $r=\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{1/10}$, and n=10 terms.

$$S = 852 + 763.36 + 683.94 + 612.78 + 549.02 + 491.9 + 440.72 + 394.87 + 353.79 + 316.98$$

We can multiply both sides by r.

$$rS = 763.36 + 683.94 + 612.78 + 549.02 + 491.9 + 440.72 + 394.87 + 353.79 + 316.98 + 284$$

What is the value of S - rS?

Question 2

Consider the geometric series shown below, using ellipsis notation to indicate a continuation of the pattern without writing every term.

$$S = 2 + 2(3) + 2(3)^{2} + 2(3)^{3} + \cdots + 2(3)^{91} + 2(3)^{92} + 2(3)^{93} + 2(3)^{94}$$

Identify the initial term, the common ratio, and the number of terms.

Question 3

Write a proof for the partial geometric series formula.

- a. Define the variables.
- b. Write the sum using variables and ellipsis notation. You can implicitly assume the number of terms is more than the number of terms you choose to write.
- c. Using annotated algebraic manipulation, produce the partial geometric series formula.